TURN YOU

CH6

Who are you? I thought we were done here.

We'd bought tickets and were... kinda late.

Fuckin' hell...

Oh, what's this?

Zeich is tensing up... What are you doing...?
SNAP
STRRRR
No.

Seems your suit has a bit of a problem.
I'm so sorry, I don't know why he does this.
He's a wild animal. Unseasoned wearers can be overwhelmed by the suit.
You don't often have experiences with creatures that can influence your actions.
Thus you're not prepared for it, expecting it, when you first put it on.
But apparently he bit another suit earlier. Ella's been wearing this suit for a few weeks now.
ROUX
GA
ROUX
That's odd. Normally wolves aren't very aggressive past a certain point of wearing them.
Holy shit, when did you get that tattoo?
Oh? Couple months ago. You follow my normal stuff too?
Of course. Why wouldn't I?

It's just that sometimes, I get the crowd who likes the animals, but not so much the human stuff.

Oh, Ella doesn't like furry things.

She's got an interest in latex though.

Then why get a living suit?

They got it for me.

You know keeping a pet is a responsibility.

I'm aware.

So, why are you wearing another latex suit underneath that one?

What do you mean, 'why'?

Doesn't make sense to wear two when you can't see one of them at all.

These things are not domesticated animals. They can kill you if you don't take precaution beforehand.

What... They're latex. Unless you mean like, overheating you...

This suit protects me from them. They leak acid that will melt fleash, to eat their prey.

Humans are prey to these things. They may eat blood but they can also consume the rest of you.

Why would they build that into these things?
There are a lot of unregulated products that most people don't know about.
Do you really want people in power messing around with something as grey area as this?

That could've happened to me?!
I didn't know they could even do that!

I would never hurt you.
Okay, but *acid*?
It gets the job done.
It can talk.

Yeah? He doesn't talk much.
But I guess he's nice to talk to.
You *guess*?

I'm just pulling your leg.
But you are not pulling my leg.
It's an expression.

They're not supposed to talk.
That may change things...

Would you like to indulge me in a little experiment?
What kind of experiment?
I want to restrain him. See how he reacts.

Restrain?!
Many of the predatory suits react in a certain way. I want to see if he responds in the same way.
That way we'll know if you've got a docile, tamed beast, or if you're playing with lions and it's only a matter of time before you're killed.
I'm not sure about this.
But what if he's right?
Do you not trust me?
I...

You say you'd never hurt her, but I bet you would.
I can prove him wrong.
How feisty.

Why is that in here?
We were using it in my photoshoot.
Something very basic, nothing like the harder stuff we get into.
But it would be enough. This will be quick. Five minutes tops.

You sure you're okay with this, Ella?
I'll be fine.
I'm worried about Zeich, though...

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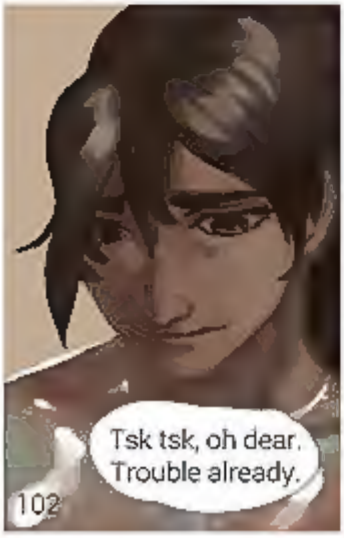
Tsk tsk, oh dear. Trouble already.

SHUDDER
Zeich is suddenly breathing super heavily.

Sucking air like I've never seen him do it before. It feels like his body is separating from my skin. Yet squeezing around my throat.
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF

Looking at it now, it's like he's grown to twice his normal size. Buffer, too.
What the hell is going on?
It's hot. It's so hot. I can feel the blood running through his body. It's like a heartbeat but beating way too fast.
See that? That's a defense. Making himself look bigger than normal.
He probably doesnt even realise he's doing it.
It sounds like he's choking! In pain, what the- what the--
AAAAARRRHHH!
Out out out I need to get get--
I need out!
Please please please
Squeezing too tight, I can't breathe--
Hurts--
ROLLING
want out, release
me, let me go, I don't
want to be here, pleas

I told you.
CLAMP
That's enough!
STOMP
PANT
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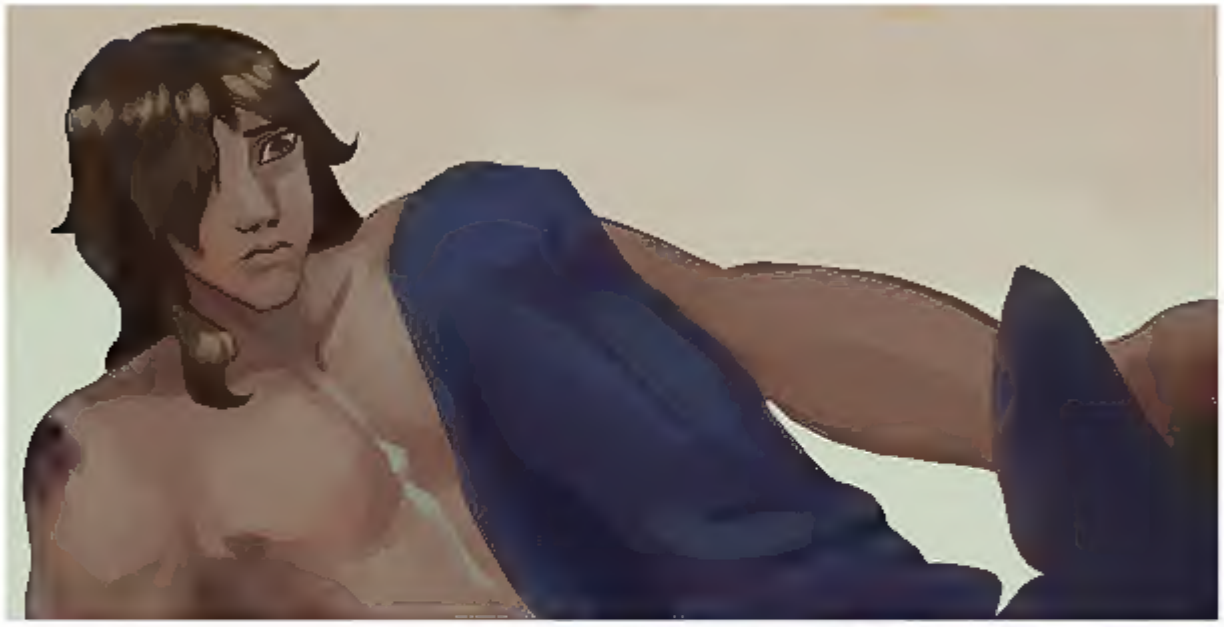
My lungs burn.
Feel so lightheaded...
What the hell is going on?
This is how they act.
I told you, they're wild. Can't be contained.



I'd release you now, but you need a few minutes to calm yourself.
I can breathe again.
Zeich, why did you act like that?

I thought you said you had it under control?

You may talk, but you're no different from any other suit

You still look and behave like an animal. That's all you are

I think you're wrong.

Zeich has never intentionally hurt me

Even with this little experiment you did. We all have instincts, and we react differently

I've worn more suits than you can imagine. You really think your opinions matter more than the facts?

Anecdotal evidence proves very little

I guess you'll learn the hard way. These animals will kill you, one way or another in time

I'd known he'd be such an ass, I wouldn't've bought the tickets
I want to just go to sleep
...
need it
He was shaking all up until took him off
He didn't want to talk about what happened back there
He didn't take another moment to stay awake. Went to sleep right then and there
I'm sorry for what happened, Zerch.

Goddammit, I screwed up again.
The jacket wasn't latex. It was made of something else. I don't know what, but the chemical reaction of the jacket did this.
an heal this kind of wound.
But with constant exposure, it's going to take a while.
How many times am I going to inadvertantly hurt Zeich before he snaps?
My pants
These are for your paid work?
Well, some of them are. But I was interested in testing something else, too.

I wanted to see what it was like instead of solid latex
BLACK
This is gonna sound weird, but I kind of wanna cover myself in it. Is that weird?
It sounds weird.
Dammit Zeich
I was not trying to discourage you.
I was agreeing that the premise sounds weird.
I'm gonna do it anyway
Hah, it's kind of like wearing you
I think I'm better than that.
It's like an art painting on living canvas
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Feels just like watered down paint
Yeah, you're right. It isn't as great as wearing you
Shit, that was sp tzy to say
Hey, Zeich Do you want to do something crazy?
Crazy how?
Lemme wear you with this stuff on
But why?
don't know It's a stupid idea
But maybe you could absorb the liquid latex and heal yourself
Y-you'd still wear me?
As far as I'm concerned, nothing's changed.
I think you're worth the benefit of the doubt
It's like peeling skin underneath a fresh layer
You should've let it dry completely
Oh? What's that?
I love it... It's not like wearing latex clothes over me. This feels so... so natural!

Iridescent paint! The most amazing kind of colour out there

It makes everything pop

And I checked specifically, the chemicals won't damage latex

You planned for this?

Half I originally needed it for a custom art piece, but I also wanted to see what it would look like on latex. Do you mind?

Go ahead.

About yesterday...

You don't have to explain yourself. We all lose control sometimes, even when we think we have control.

If anything, I should be the one apologizing for putting you in that situation.

You don't like being restrained?

No... Everything becomes panic and fear. It seems irrational to be afraid of something so trivial.

I totally get it. Like, I have a fear of robots. That's really stupid, until you think about the logic behind sentient robots.

They can be just as real and think just like us but they can be changed by an external force.

Their coding altered, their personality changed, and they're unable to do anything about it but watch.

It's scary thinking that someone can change who you fundamentally are, and you're powerless to stop it.

I don't think some people realise just how awful that kind of situation is.

It's so beautiful. It's like every colour you can imagine condensed into one.
How can something be so tangible?
Zeich... Zeich looks amazing. Gods, he's like a painting.
It's teeking my desire for art. Hell's bells, there's nothing like touching a physical piece of art like sculptures, compared to just paintings.
This, this is
Just like that, he's blossomed into something I found truly attractive. Even in just this moment

Zeich, do you see this?
Hmm?
Do you see yourself?
Yes?
colours. I am not sure of their significance.
Why are you tearing up?
It's so pretty. Seeing all these colours. Seeing you, in these colours. I wish I could describe it.
It's bringing up so many strong emotions. I'm not sure how to handle them because acting on them would make me look a bit irony.

I'd love to show you off to the world like this... You're a work of art.
I'd wear you even if you could spit acid on me, in order to experience something like this.
Being a piece of art.
If you could make love to a painting, would you do it?

To Feed a Suit

For most suits, you're required to wear a special suit to protect you from potential acid. Regardless of whether or not you trust your suit, there is the possibility that some acid may leak, and acid burn scars are quite unpleasant.

But that raises the issue of activating your suit. How will you provide blood if you dont have the suit taking it directly from you?

Simply put, a vial of animal blood is enough to do the trick. Suits can injest blood on contact with their skin.

This also prevents the transformative effects of the suit from occurring. When a suit taps into your blood-stream, as a side effect, it leaks out its own body chemicals into your body, causing the trans-formation to take place...

...much like when a mosquito transmits its pathogens into humans upon sucking blood. These chemicals, however, are weak, and take a buildup to cause continuous changes.

Once a suit stops feeding, the chemicals within your body thin out and eventually decay, returning your anatomy to normal within a few hours.